GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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FLOOD AFFECTED STATES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the States which have been declared flood affected during the current year;

(b) the losses suffered by various States due to floods during the last three years and the current year alongwith total expenditure incurred to prevent the same;

(c) the remedial steps proposed to be taken by the Government to combat this menace in future; and

(d) the Central assistance provided to States to overcome from this problem during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) States of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Kerala, Haryana, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Punjab, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal have been affected due to floods during current monsoon.

(b) Statements showing losses suffered in various States due to floods during the last three years and the current year are appended at Annex. I.

(c) Flood Management being a State subject, investigations, planning and implementation of flood management schemes are within the purview of the respective State Governments. The Centre renders assistance that are technical, catalytical and promotional in nature.

The Ganga Flood Control Commission has prepared comprehensive plans for flood management for all 23 river systems of Ganga basin. Similarly, the Brahmaputra Board has also prepared master plans for the Brahmaputra & Barak basins and sub basins there under. These plans were sent to the concerned State Governments for follow up action.

The Central Government is also providing financial assistance to the State Governments for taking up critical flood management and anti erosion works. Besides, Brahmaputra Board has taken up critical anti erosion schemes in Dholla Hathighuli and Majuli Island in Assam and Pagladiya Dam Project which interalia is estimated to provide protection against floods to an area of 40,000 ha.

Further in order to mitigate the damages from floods, Central Water Commission issues flood forecasts at 171 stations, which are communicated to the State authorities.

Recently on 11.08.2004, the Government of India has constituted a 21 member Task Force under the Chairmanship of Chairman, Central Water Commission to look into the problem of recurring floods and erosion in Assam and other neighbouring States as well as Bihar, West Bengal and Eastern Uttar Pradesh.

(d) The State-wise details of the Central assistance provided during the last three years and the current year to the States which have reported damages due to floods are given as Annex. II.

Annex. II

Details of Central assistance provided under Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Ministry of Water Resources; Calamity Relief Fund & National Calamity Contingency Fund of Ministry of Home Affairs; Additional Central Assistance released by the Planning Commission and the assistance provided from Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources under Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

Name of State	Amount (Rs. in lakh)			
	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05

Assam	12892	11199	11950	14752
Arunachal Pradesh	4447	3969	5023	1579
Bihar	7253	9724	6544	12338
Gujarat	12710	13346	16021	14714
Kerala	5295	5560	5838	6130
Haryana	6403	6723	7059	7412
Meghalaya	310	326	342	359
Mizoram	234	246	258	271
Punjab	10014	10496	10957	11187
Tripura	410	430	851	474
Uttar Pradesh	12208	12724	17438	14231
Uttaranchal	2549	2771	2810	2950

Annex. I

LOSSES SUFFERED IN VARIOUS STATES DUE TO FLOODS DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS AND CURRENT YEAR

(In Rs. crore)

Sl. No.	Name of State	Total damages due to crops, houses & public utilities			
		2001	2002	2003	2004
1.	Assam	NR	NR	347.049	1915.67
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	NR	NR	2.486	NR
3.	Bihar	588.595	1215.812	58.927	1461.119
4.	Gujarat	0.480	NR	NR	0.350
5.	Kerala	NR	NR	NR	NR
6.	Haryana	0.000	NR	0.000	NR
7	Meghalaya	NR	4.856	0.872	NR
8.	Mizoram	0.000	NR	0.000	NR
9.	Punjab	3.590	NR	0.000	NR
10.	Tripura	NR	NR	NR	NR
11.	Uttar Pradesh	NR	NR	675.877	NR
12.	Uttaranchal	NR	NR	NR	NR

NR: Not Reported